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**ABSTRACT**

1. This report locates and delineates the major army units subordinate to the Central Infantry Division of the Second Army Group, North Korea. The report is based on photographic coverage from October 1972 through December 1973; it contains a location map, a table, and a photograph. The purpose of this report is to combine point targets into area targets to provide more meaningful reporting.

**INTRODUCTION**

2. The North Korean Second Army Group is responsible for the security of the western sector of the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) and commands five infantry divisions and a medium-tank regiment. The major units of an infantry division are three infantry regiments, an artillery regiment, a mortar regiment, a tank company, and a headquarters area.

3. This report is the third of a series<sup>1,2</sup> on the Second Army Group and is designed to realign the boundaries of the existing Basic Encyclopedia (BE) point targets into BE target areas. The realignment of the BE boundaries has been coordinated with DIA and CIA analysts, and appropriate BE action has been taken by DIA. In the future, the entire Central Infantry Division will be reported under the existing BE number now assigned to the headquarters area [REDACTED]. The area nomenclature and boundaries have been arbitrarily assigned for reporting purposes.

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4. Subsequent reports will follow, as time and manpower permits, on all divisions within the Second Army Group. Supplemental reports will follow when significant changes are observed within the reported areas.

**BASIC DESCRIPTION**

5. The Central Infantry Division (Figures 1 and 2), a subordinate of the Second Army Group, occupies the central sector of the Second Army Group area of responsibility. An artillery regiment and a mortar regiment both subordinate to the Army Group are within this division's area of responsibility and will be reported with this division. The Central Infantry Division is bounded on the east by the Chigo River, on the south at 37-55N 126-39E, on the west at 38-05N 126-31E, and on the north at 38-13N 126-40E. The adjacent defense sectors are: to the east, the East Infantry Division; to the south, the South Infantry Division; and to the west and north, the West Infantry Division. Table 1 lists the units within the Central Infantry Division with their geographic coordinates and associated BE numbers. The areas listed below are keyed to Figures 1 and 2 and Table 1.

**Sowon-dong Barracks and Headquarters Infantry Division**

6. This infantry division headquarters area (area A) consists of one headquarters building, one large E-shaped administration building, eight barracks, one auditorium, one L-shaped messhall, one C-shaped building, and 15 support buildings.

**Chommaul-dong Army Barracks and Storage Area**

7. This artillery regimental area (area B) consists of one headquarters building, four administration buildings, 26 barracks, six messhalls, numerous quarters and support buildings, extensive trenching, three howitzer battalions consisting of nine four-gun, tunnel-served artillery batteries, and two mortar units.

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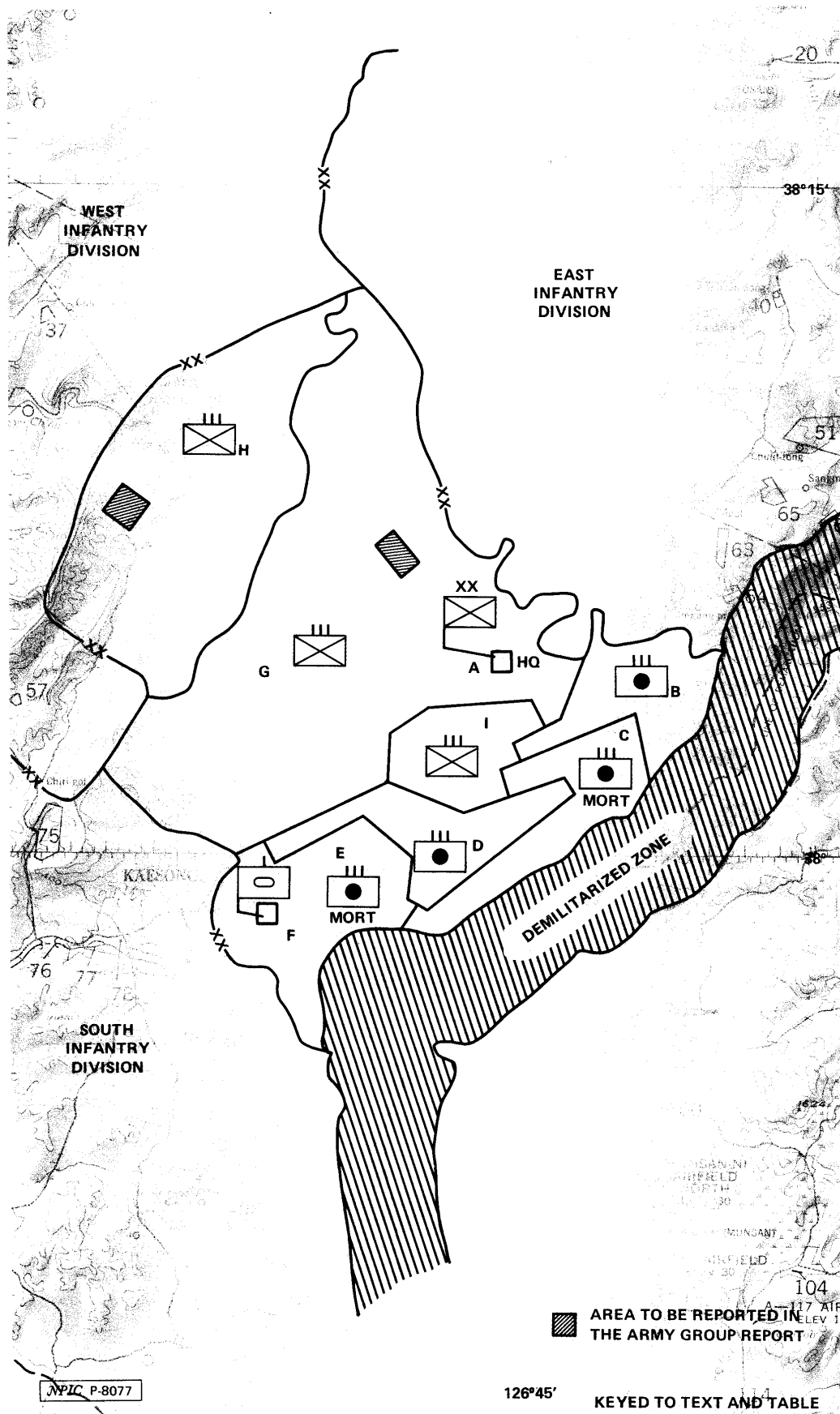


FIGURE 1. LAYOUT OF CENTRAL INFANTRY DIVISION, SECOND ARMY GROUP, NORTH KOREA

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**Pollyong-dong Headquarters Mortar Regiment and Barracks**

8. This mortar regiment area (area C) is subordinate to the Second Army Group and consists of one headquarters building, three administration buildings, 36 barracks, numerous quarters and support buildings, and extensive trenching and mortar positions.

**Kujong-dong Headquarters Artillery Regiment and Army Barracks**

9. This artillery regiment area (area D) is subordinate to the Second Army Group and consists of one large U-shaped headquarters building, six administration buildings, 29 barracks, seven messhalls, 14 vehicle sheds, numerous quarters and support buildings, extensive trenching throughout the area, and three howitzer battalions consisting of nine four-gun, tunnel-served artillery batteries.

**Kaesong Army Barracks ENE**

10. This mortar regiment area (area E) consists of one headquarters building, four administration buildings, 32 barracks, five messhalls, seven vehicle sheds, numerous quarters and support buildings, extensive trenching throughout the area, and numerous mortar positions.

**Kaesong Probable Armor Installation East**

11. This tank company area (area F) consists of one barracks, six support buildings, and one probable tunnel entrance.

**Sowon-dong Training Area East**

12. This infantry regimental area (area G) consists of one headquarters building, five administration buildings, 33 barracks, six messhalls (two T-shaped), 11 vehicle sheds, numerous quarters

*Table 1. Central Infantry Division (Keyed to Figures 1 & 2)*

Area	Unit	Installation & BE	Geographic Coordinates	Associated BE Number
A	Infantry division headquarters	Sowon-dong Bks & Hq Inf Div	38-04-11N 126-44-21E	
B	Artillery regiment	Chommual Army Bks & Stor Area	38-03-27N 126-47-42E	
C	Mortar regiment (Subordinate to the 2nd Army Group)	Pollyong-dong Hq Mortar Regt & Bks	37-59-46N 126-43-34E	
D	Artillery regiment (Subordinate to the 2nd Army Group)	Kujong-dong Hq Arty Regt & Army Bks	38-00-19N 126-41-45E	
E	Mortar regiment	Kaesong Army Bks ENE	37-59-15N 126-36-45E	
F	Tank company	Kaesong Prob Armor Instl East	37-58-32N 126-36-50E	
G	Infantry regiment	Sowon-dong Trng Area East	38-04-00N 126-38-00E	
H	Infantry regiment	Yanghap-tong Ar Bks & Stor Area NE	38-09-35N 126-35-50E	
I	Infantry regiment	Samgo-ri Army Bks & Hq Inf Regt	38-02-15N 126-43-10E	

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and support buildings, extensive trenching throughout the area, and a howitzer battalion consisting of three four-gun, tunnel-served howitzer batteries.

**Yanghap-tong Army Barracks and Storage Area NE**

13. This infantry regimental area (area H) consists of one headquarters building, five administration buildings, 27 barracks, three messhalls, and numerous quarters and support buildings.

**Samgo-ri Army Barracks and Headquarters Infantry Regiment**

14. This infantry regimental area (area I) consists of one headquarters building, three administration buildings, 25 barracks, five messhalls, numerous quarters and support buildings, a mortar battalion, an artillery battalion consisting of two four-gun, tunnel-served flat-trajectory gun batteries and one four-gun, tunnel-served howitzer battery, and extensive trenching throughout the area.

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